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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

A listing of the claims presented in this patent application appears below. This listing

replaces all prior versions and listing of claims in this patent application.

Claim 1 (currently amended): An image processing apparatus for processing plural

pages of a job to be given to an output device, the image processing apparatus comprising:

a memory for memorizing all of the plural pages of the job;

a decision controller for determining for each page of all said plural pages whether or not

image data on said each page are data within a color reproduction range of the output device and

deciding parameters to be used for color correction on a job basis; and

a color compressing controller for compressing uniformly all of said plural pages using

the same decided parameters which are decided on a job basis so as to supply the processed data

to the output device.

Claims 2 - 4 (canceled).

Claim 5 (original): The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the

output device is a printer for printing an image in accordance with the image data, and the image

processing apparatus is built in the printer.

Claim 6 (original): The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the

image data are generated by an image reader, and the image processing apparatus is built in the

image reader.

Claims 7 - 10 (canceled).

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Claim 11 (previously presented): The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the decision controller performs the deciding for each section of the standard color space for the parameters to be used for color correction, and the compressing controller performs a color compression uniformly for each section of standard color space.

Claim 12 (currently amended): A method for processing plural pages of a job to be given to an output device, the method comprising:

providing a memory for memorizing all of the plural pages of the job;

determining for each page of said plural pages whether or not image data on said each page are data within a color reproduction range of the output device; and

deciding parameters to be used for color correction on a job basis; and

compressing <u>uniformly</u> all of said plural pages using the <u>same</u> <u>decided</u> parameters <u>which</u> <u>are decided on a job basis</u> so as to supply the processed data to the output device.

Claim 13 (previously amended): The image processing method according to claim 12, wherein the deciding step is performed for each section of standard color space, and the compressing step performs the color compression uniformly for each section of standard color space.